

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2007

WESTERN HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

400 PHENIX AVENUE

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SESSION: 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

Please Note: This meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 8, 2007 but was changed to Tuesday, January 9th, to accommodate the Cranston City Council members who have a meeting scheduled for January 8th.

I. Call to Order – 6:00 p.m. – Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel and PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation.

II. Executive Session

III. Call to Order – Public Session

IV. Roll Call / Quorum

V. Executive Session Minutes Sealed – January 9, 2007

VI. Minutes of Previous Meetings Approved – December 6, 2006 and December 18, 2006

VII. Public Acknowledgements / Communications
Middle School Reform Committee Report

VIII. Chairperson Communications

IX. Superintendent Communications
State of the Cranston Public Schools' Report

X. School Committee Member Communications

XI. Public Hearing
a. Students (Agenda/Non-agenda Items
b. Members of the Public (Agenda Matters Only)

XII. Consent Calendar / Consent Agenda

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ADMINISTRATION

PERSONNEL

NO. 07-1-1 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the

Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Kalena Macari Middle School Mathematics

Marc Thibault General Subject Matter, K-12

Jacob Tasho Physical Education, K-12

Deborah Petty General Subject Matter, K-12

Joanne Salem Elementary / Early Childhood

Lorna Thompson Social Worker

NO. 07-1-2 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignations of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Dora Gallagher, Teacher

Park View Middle School

Effective Date: December 22, 2006

NO. 07-1-3 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

SECRETARY

Jamie Baker

TEACHER ASSISTANT

Donna Anderson

NO. 07-1-4 – RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Gia Garzone, Teacher Assistant

Dutemple

Effective Date: January 2, 2007

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Ann Oller, Three-hour Food Service Worker

Food Service

Effective Date: January 2, 2007

Virginia Pineda, Bus Monitor

Transportation

Effective Date: January 2, 2007

GRANTS

NO. 07-1-5 - RESOLVED, that the Cranston Public Schools submit the following grants:

Rhode Island General Assembly

Cranston High School West Social Studies

Department - Legislative Grant \$1,000

My Hometown Helper

Park View Middle School Physical Education \$6,800

Department

BUSINESS

NO. 07-1-6 - RESOLVED, that \$113,891 of the audited GAAP surplus (2005-2006) be reserved as a Fund Balance account for purposes of supplementing the appropriation to the Health account in case of a shortfall in this or future years. This adjustment will increase the total reserve to a balance of \$250,000.

NO. 07-1-7 - RESOLVED, that \$200,000 of the audited GAAP surplus (2005-2006) be reserved as a Fund Balance account for purposes of

supplementing the annual budget appropriation in this or future years.

NO. 07-1-8 - RESOLVED, that the following purchases be approved:

Telecommunications Services contract with an initial five-year contract for services, with options to renew annually for up to five additional years, be awarded to XXXXXXXXX.

Number of bids issued XX

Number of bids received XX

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POLICY AND PROGRAM

NO. 07-1-9 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following Conferences/Field Trips of Long Duration be authorized:

Ann-Marie Zodda, Director of Special Education, to travel to San Diego, California, to attend the 28th Annual LRP's National Institute from April 23,2007 to April 25, 2007.

Richard Abruzzini, Meaghan McGonagle and Janis McGuirl, all from

the DECA Program at the Cranston Area Career & Technical Center, and approximately twenty-six to thirty students from Cranston High School West and Cranston High School East, to travel to Orlando, Florida, to compete in the National DECA Competition and attend leadership/career development conference sessions from April 27, 2007 to May 2, 2007.

Norma Cole, Principal of Western Hills Middle School, to travel to Marlborough, Massachusetts to attend the MESPA Spring Conference from May 2, 2007 to May 4, 2007.

Judith Lundsten, Executive Director of Educational Programs and Services, to travel to Marlborough, Massachusetts to attend the MESPA Spring Conference from May 2, 2007 to May 4, 2007.

Linda Stanelun, Principal of Oak Lawn School, to travel to Atlanta, Georgia to attend the NCTM 2007 Annual Meeting and Exposition from March 19, 2007 to March 22, 2007.

Debra Lancia and Linda Bello, teachers at Oak Lawn School, to travel to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend the NCSM/NCTM Conferences from March 19, 2007 to March 23, 2007.

Judith Lundsten, Executive Director of Educational Programs and Services, to travel to Atlanta, Georgia to attend the NCSM Conference and the NCTM 2007 Annual Meeting from March 19, 2007 to March 22,

2007.

XIII. Action Calendar / Action Agenda

XIV. New Business

XV. Public Hearing on Non-agenda Items

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XVI. Announcement of Future Meetings

XVII. Adjournment

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify the Chairperson in advance.

Notice Posted: January 3, 2007